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SUBJ: CCMS - FALL 1976 PLENARY - NATO, HQ, OCT 12-13, 1976,

AIR POLLUTION FOLLOW-UP

SUMMARY: US PRESENTED THE SECOND FOLLOW-UP REPORT OF THIS PILOT STUDY WHICH HAS MONITORED AIR QUALITY IN TWELVE OF THE NATO COUNTRIES. US REPORT INDICATES THAT MEMBER COUNTRIES ARE MAKING PROGRESS IN AMBIENT MONITORING AND THAT AIR QUALITY TRENDS SHOW A GENERAL DECREASE IN AIR POLLUTION. CCMS NOTED REPORT AND SUGGESTED THAT THE SIMPLE QUESTIONNAIRE, AS USED HERE BY THE US IS A MOST EFFECTIVE TOOL IN PREPARING OTHER FOLLOW-UP REPORTS. END SUMMARY.

1. THE US (TRAIN) INTRODUCED THE SECOND FOLLOW-UP REPORT BY REMINDING THE COMMITTEE OF THE PURPOSE OF THE EFFORT: TO TRACK PROGRESS OF MEMBER COUNTRIES IN DEALING WITH AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT. HE THANKED DELEGATIONS FOR THEIR RESPONSE TO QUESTIONNAIRE DISTRIBUTED BY THE US. MR TRAIN NOTED THAT MEMBER COUNTRIES HAVE MADE SMALL, ALTHOUGH POSITIVE, PROGRESS IN AMBIENT
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MONITORING AND STATED THAT THE TREND ANALYSIS PROVES THAT MEMBER COUNTRIES COLLECT THE DATA NECESSARY TO MEASURE PROGRESS IN CONTROLLING AIR POLLUTION.

2. THE US (BAUMAN) PRESENTED DETAILS OF THE REPORT. HE NOTED THAT NATO/CCMS DOCUMENT NUMBER 50 HAD BEEN CIRCULATED IN DRAFT FORM TO DELEGATES AT THE RECENT AIR POLLUTION PILOT STUDY MEETING AT QUAIL ROOST. HE SAID THAT RESPONSIVENESS WAS EXCELLENT, WITH 47 OUT OF 53 CITIES CONTRIBUTING DATA. MR. BAUMAN REPORTED THAT A SUMMARY OF AIR QUALITY TRENDS SHOWED 47 CASES OF DECREASING AIR POLLUTION, 27 CASES OF STABLE CONDITIONS, AND ONE INSTANCE OF AN INCREASE. (FYI: ANKARA)

3. NORWAY (LYKKE) ASKED IF THE REASON BEHIND THE TREND TO BETTER AIR QUALITY WAS DUE TO REDUCED EMISSIONS OR BETTER DISPERSION. MR. BAUMAN RESPONDED THAT THE QUESTIONNAIRE REQUESTS ONLY STATISTICS, AND THAT AN ANALYSIS OF THE CAUSES FOR TRENDS IS NOT AVAILABLE.

4. CANADA (BEAULIEU) THOUGHT THE US FOR FOLLOW-UP REPORT AND INDICATED THAT CANADA HAD ALREADY COMMENCED PREPARATION OF THE 1976 DATA FOR THEIR FOUR LARGEST CITIES.

5. CHAIRMAN (OZDAS) THANKED THE US FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT AND INDICATED THAT HE WOULD SUBMIT THIS SECOND FOLLOW-UP REPORT TO THE NAC. HE NOTED THAT THE USE OF A SIMPLE QUESTIONNAIRE, AS IN THIS US FOLLOW-UP EFFORT, IS AN EFFECTIVE TOOL AND SUGGESTED IT CONSIDERATION IN OTHER PILOT STUDY FOLLOW-UP ENDEAVORS. THE COMMITTEE INVITED THE US TO PRESENT THE THIRD FOLLOW-UP REPORT NEXT YEAR. STREATOR

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